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For: **SCD40L AND PLACENTAL  
GROWTH FACTOR (PLGF) USED  
AS A BIOCHEMICAL MARKER  
COMBINATION IN  
CARDIOVASCULAR DISEASES**

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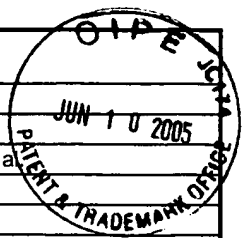
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